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History

Beginning in 1980, the U.S. Army Development and Readiness Command (DARCOM) asked the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) to assist in cost and schedule control on some of its major projects. DARCOM had experienced significant overruns and schedule postponements on several projects. JPL was assigned to conduct Independent Project Assessments (IPAs) of two DARCOM projects. JPL was also assigned to produce an IPA Handbook for use by other agencies of contractors to conduct IPAs. Manager of the IPA Program at JPL was James N. Wilson.

The first DARCOM project that JPL conducted an IPA for was the Meteorological Data System (MDS). The project was started in November 1981. The MDS Project was developed by the Army to improve field artillery targeting accuracy by providing atmospheric wind density and wind data derived from balloon borne expendable units to artillery batteries. DARCOM assigned JPL to conduct an IPA of the MDS Project to evaluate the cost and schedule status, and to recommend actions for reducing cost and schedule risk during the production phase. The IPA Final Report, dated October 15, 1982, was written by James N. Wilson.

The second DARCOM project that JPL conducted an IPA for was the Artillery Time Fuze Program. This was originally to have been done after completion of the IPA for the MDS Program, but was instead done concurrently. The Army had three artillery fuzes in states of development and production. They were the M577 Mechanical Timer Fuze, the M724 Electronic Timer Fuze, both in production, and the M762 Electronic Timer Fuze, in advanced development. JPL made independent assessments of each of them, and made recommendations as to which one or ones to carry on. The IPA Final Report, dated December 15, 1982, was written by James N. Wilson.

The first draft of the IPA Handbook was completed in January 1983. DARCOM requested significant changes, and the final report of the IPA Handbook was issued on September 30, 1983. With the issue of the final report, the IPA Program with DARCOM was judged completed. The IPA Project originally consisted of four phases: Preparation, Methodology Development, Methodology Verification, and Full Implementation. The Project was considered finished after the end of Phase II, due to lack of funds.

In early December 1982, JPL was requested to assist in the Army's Pershing II Program. The Pershing II Program was operated by the U.S. Army Missile Command, Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. The Pershing II Missile was developed in the late 1970s and early 1980s. It was originally deployed in West Germany in 1983, and achieved full operational capability in Europe in late 1985. In December 1987, the United States and Soviet Union signed the Intermediate Range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty, which required the elimination of nuclear weapons having a range of 500-5,500 kilometers (300-3,400 miles). The two missile systems in this category were the U.S. Pershing II and Russian SS-20 missiles. In September 1988, the U.S. Army began eliminating Pershing missile rocket motors through static firing. In May 1991, the first and second stage rocket motors of the last Pershing II missiles were eliminated at Longhorn Army Ammunition Plant, Texas.

In March 1983 a quality audit of the Martin-Marietta Orlando facility engaged in the production of Pershing II missiles was conducted by JPL. In May 1983, JPL staff completed a quality audit of the Pershing II Adaption Kit manufactured by AVCO Systems Division, Wilmington, MA. The Adaption Kit was the safing, arming and fuzing subassembly for the Pershing II warhead section. Task Manager at JPL for the Pershing II audits was James N. Wilson.

In August 1982, JPL was assigned support of the IPA of the Combat Vehicle Heading Reference System, or Set (CVHRS) conducted by DARCOM. JPL support was completed in October 1982. JPL acted as a consultant and provided technical expertise and specialization. Jack Gardner was the JPL contact to the CVHRS Independent Program Assessment project. The CVHRS used the NAVSTAR Global Positioning System (GPS) to determine direction and heading. There are three reports pertaining to NAVSTAR GPS in the collection.

All four of the projects in the collection involved various Army organizations. According to a hand-drawn organization chart, the U.S. Army Electric Command (ERADCOM), based at Ft. Monmouth, NJ, was subordinate to DARCOM. The Atmospheric Sciences Laboratory (ASL) and Combat Surveillance and Target Acquisition Laboratory (CSTAL) were subordinate to ERADCOM. ERADCOM should not be mistaken for the U.S. Army Armament Research and Development Command (ARRADCOM), which was also involved with the Time Fuze Program.

Provenance

The collection was transferred from Jack N. James, Assistant Laboratory Director for Defense Programs, Section 800, to the JPL Records Center on February 6, 1985. The collection was transferred from the Records Center to the JPL Archives in May 1989, with other unrelated materials as part of Accession 1989-11. The shipment consisted of 9 c.f. before processing.

Collection Arrangement and Description

The collection documents JPL activity making Independent Project Assessments for DARCOM. The JPL documents are dated from 1981-1984 while the supporting materials are from 1964-1983. Most of the JPL materials and notes appear to originate from program manager James N. Wilson.

The collection is divided into six series: Independent Project Assessment (IPA) Final Reports, Meteorological Data System IPA Materials, Artillery Fuze IPA Materials, Pershing II IPA Materials, Combat Vehicle Heading Reference System IPA Materials and Software Assessment Methodology Materials.

Independent Project Assessment (IPA) Final Reports (folders 1-8). Included in this series are correspondence and notes involving the IPA program, a folder involving finding the staff at JPL to comprise the IPA program, and monthly reports of the Defense Programs Office regarding the IPA program. Additionally, the final reports involving the Meteorological Data System, Time Fuze Programs and the IPA Handbook, all written by James Wilson, are represented in the series.

Meteorological Data System (MDS) IPA Materials (folders 9-49). Included in the collection are folders of correspondence and handwritten notes. The correspondence file includes information about field trips conducted by JPL IPA personnel to U.S. Army installations or contractors. They include the U.S. Army Combat Surveillance and Target Acquisition Laboratory (CSTAL), at Ft. Monmouth, New Jersey, the Atmospheric Sciences Laboratory (ASL), White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico, and Bendix Corporation, Environmental and Process Instruments Division, Baltimore, Maryland. ASL was the overall mission designer responsible for Meteorological equipment for the Army. Bendix was the contractor for the MDS system software.

The bulk of the series consists of background material regarding the Meteorological Data System, provided to JPL either by DARCOM or a contractor. A list of the titles of the documents is included in the collection (folder 11). The MDS IPA Document File is organized by document number. The documents vary from documents of a single page to documents of several inches thick. Several documents that were not numbered are filed at the end of the series. Of the thirty-one documents listed, only one is not present in the collection. The span dates of the MDS IPA Document File are from 1977 to 1982. They are composed of contract information, design proposals, project organization, system specifications, and cost, schedule and status reports.

Artillery Fuze IPA Materials (folders 50-143). According to a May 21, 1982 handwritten organization chart, the Fuze IPA Program included JPL Personnel from four offices: Office of Flight Projects, Office of Technical Divisions, Office of Engineering and Review, and the Defense Programs Office. The Applied Mechanics Division of the Office of Technical Divisions acted as technical support for the IPA Program.

Included in the collection are folders of correspondence and handwritten notes, similar to the documents in the MDS series. Eastman Kodak Company manufactured the M724 Fuze while Bulova Systems and Instruments Corporation of Valley Stream, NY and Hamilton Technology, Inc., of Lancaster, PA manufactured the M577 Fuze, and Motorola manufactured the M762 Fuze. Various parts of the fuzes

were contracted out as well. The M724 Clock Oscillator and Interface Module was manufactured by Timex Defense Products Corporation of Watertown, CT. NCR manufactured the original M724 Counter Module and the new M724 Timer Module. ERADCOM's Harry Diamond Laboratory was also involved in the manufacturing process. Ballistic tests of many of the fuzes were conducted at Jefferson Proving Grounds, Madison, IN. JPL personnel visited each of these places during the conduct of the assessment.

The Fuze IPA Document File is organized by document number. An index is located at the beginning of the series (folder 53). Eighty-three items are listed, although the numbering system was extended to 88 items. One number was not used, and two items are missing, both noted as "confidential" in the list. Span dates of the documents in the Document File are from 1964 to 1982. The type of documents is very similar to that of the MDS documents, including contract information, correspondence and reports.

Pershing II IPA Materials (folders 144-261). The Pershing II materials are similar to the materials of the other series in the collection. There are files of general correspondence and handwritten notes. The contractor in charge of the manufacture of the Pershing II adaption kits was AVCO Systems Division of Wilmington, MA. Most of the materials involve the adaption kits, with JPL briefings and visits to AVCO.

The Pershing II IPA Document File is organized by document number. An index is located at the beginning of the series (folder 148). Eighty-one items are listed, although nine are not found in the collection. Three appear not to have been delivered, three were noted in the list as "secret" and three were listed as "confidential."

The documents include design reviews, correspondence, presentation notes, reports, purchase descriptions, and two sets of blueprint drawings. The blueprints depict the controller assembly of the Adaption Kit, and interface control drawings of the Pershing II warhead section. The span dates of the documents are 1979-1983. A few unnumbered Pershing II materials follow after the numbered documents. They include contract information and Trouble Reports. Trouble Reports reported on failed items during tests at AVCO Systems Division. The failed items were usually alternators, transistors, resistors or capacitors. The reports note a description of the failure, and any actions taken. The trouble reports are arranged by trouble report number. The numbers are not inclusive. Some of the larger reports have been removed from their original locations in the files and given a separate file.

Combat Vehicle Heading Reference System (CVHRS) (folders 262-286). The CVHRS series has correspondence and handwritten note folders similar to the above series. The document files are not numbered, however, and are arranged in chronological order. They are comprised primarily of correspondence and reports. Three folders composed of reports on the NAVSTAR Global Positioning System (GPS) are included at the end of the series.

IPA Software Assessment Methodology (folders 287-295). The final chapter of the IPA Handbook was on Software Assessments. This series documents the formulation of a methodology needed to achieve a comprehensive software assessment. After a general correspondence file, the series is arranged chronologically, with span dates of 1981-1983.

Oversize Item (folder 296). There is one oversize item, document number 83 from the Fuze IPA Document File.

JPL Discreet Item. One item involving JPL staffing in the Independent Project Assessment Program was stamped "JPL Discreet." That item has been removed to a box at the end of the collection. Its original position has been marked with a separation sheet.

Conservation/Preservation

Standard preparations of documents for long term storage were completed.

Separation Statement

The original accession (1989-11) was split up into seven separate collections: U.S. Army Projects Collection (this collection), Office of the Director Collection (JPL 142), JPL Executive Council Collection (JPL 150), DSN Radio Science Collection (JPL 155), Mariner Mars 1969 Reliability and Quality Assurance Document Collection, MJS 77 Configuration Collection, and the Optical Image Enhancement Feasibility Study Collection.

Finding Aids

Lists of the Independent Project Assessment Materials given to JPL as background material are located in the collection (folders 11, 53, 148). No other finding aids exist for the collection.

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